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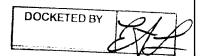
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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF JOHNSON UTILITIES, LLC DOING BUSINESS AS JOHNSON UTILITIES COMPANY, FOR APPROVAL OF SALE AND TRANSFER OF ASSETS AND CONDITIONAL CANCELLATION OF ITS CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY.

**DOCKET NO. WS-02987A-13-0477** 

NOTICE OF FILING AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING PUBLIC NOTICE AND AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

In a Procedural Order dated March 14, 2014, Johnson Utilities, L.L.C. ("Company") was ordered: (i) to publish notice of the application and hearing in this matter in a newspaper of general circulation within its service territory on or before March 24, 2014; and (ii) to mail to each of its customers a copy of the required notice by first class U.S. mail on or before March 26, 2014. Attached hereto as <a href="Attachment 1">Attachment 1</a> is an Affidavit of Publication from *The Arizona Republic* attesting to the publication of the required public notice on March 24, 2014, in the statewide edition of the paper. Attached hereto as <a href="Attachment 2">Attachment 2</a> is the Affidavit of Daniel Hodges attesting that the required public notice was mailed to all customers of the Company on or before March 26, 2014.

RESPECTFULLY submitted this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014.

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## ATTACHMENT 1

### PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE APPLICATION OF JOHNSON UTILITIES, LLC DOING BUSINESS AS JOHNSON UTILITIES COMPANY, FOR APPROVAL OF SALE AND TRANSFER OF ASSETS

#### **CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY DOCKET NO. WS-02987A-13-0477**

AND CONDITIONAL CANCELLATION OF ITS CERTIFICATE OF

On December 31, 2013, Johnson Utilities, LLC, dba Johnson Utilities Company ("Johnson Utilities" or "Company") filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application requesting Commission approval of the sale and transfer of all the Company's utility assets and operations in Pinal County, Arizona, and in the Town of Florence, an Arizona municipality, and the cancellation and extinguishment of its Certificates of Convenience and Necessity.

if the application is granted, Johnson Utilities will no longer be required to provide water and vater utility service to the public under rates and charges and terms and conditions approved by the Commission.

If the application is granted, the Town of Florence will become the provider of water and wastewater utility service to current customers of Johnson Utilities who are citizens of the Town of Florence, and also to customers who are not citizens of the Town of Florence, but who are located in the current Johnson Utilities service territory that is located outside

How You Can View or Obtain a Copy of the Application
Copies of the application are available from Johnson Utilities during normal business hours at
the Company's business office at 968 E. Hunt Highway, San Tan Valley, Arizona 85143 and at
the Commission's Docket Control Center at 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona, for public inspection during regular business hours, and on the Internet via the Commission's website (www.azcc.gov) using the e-Docket function.

Arizona Corporation Commission Public Hearing Information
The Commission will hold a hearing on this matter commercing on May 19, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona, Hearing Room No. 1. Public Comments will be taken on the first day of the hearing.

Written public comments may be submitted by mailing a letter referencing Docket No. WS-02987A-13-0477 to Arizona Corporation Commission, Consumer Services Section, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, or by submitting comments on the Commission's website (www.azcc.gov) using the "Submit a Comment on an Issue" button. If you require assistance, you may contact the Consumer Services Section at 1-800-222-7000.

About Intervention

The law provides for an open public hearing at which, under appropriate circumstances, interested parties may intervene. Intervention shall be permitted to any person entitled by law to intervene and having a direct and substantial interest in the matter. Anyone who wishes to intervene must file an original and 13 copies of a written motion to intervene with the Commission no later than April 15, 2014, and send a copy of the motion to Johnson Utilities or its counsel and to all parties of record. Your motion to Intervene must contain the following:

- The name, address, and telephone number of the proposed intervenor and of any party upon whom service of documents is to be made if different from that of the interv
- A short statement of the proposed intervenor's interest in the proceeding (e.g., a customer of the Company, a member or shareholder of the Company, etc.);
- A statement certifying that a copy of the motion to intervene has been mailed to the Company or its counsel and to all parties of record in the case.; and
- If you are not represented by an attorney who is an active member of the Arizona State Bar, and are not representing yourself as an individual, information and any appropriate documentation demonstrating compliance with Arizona Supreme Court Rules 31, 38,

The granting of motions to intervene shall be governed by AAC. R14-3-105, except that <u>all motions to intervene must be filed on or before April 15, 2014</u>. The granting of intervention, among other things, entitles a party to present swom evidence at hearing and to cross-examine other witnesses. However, failure to intervene will not preclude any interested person or entity from appearing at the hearing and providing public comment on the application or from filing written comments in the record of the case. For information about requesting intervention, visit the Commission's website at http://www.azcc.gov/division/utilities/forms/interven.pdf.

ADA/Equal Access Information

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to its public meetings. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter, as well as request this document in an alternative format, by contacting the ADA Coordinator, Shaylin Bernal, E-mail SAbernal@azcc.gov., voice phone number 602-542-3931. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

### THE ARIZONA REPUBLIC

STATE OF ARIZONA COUNTY OF MARICOPA

Tabitha Weaver, being first duly sworn, upon oath deposes and says: That she is a legal advertising representative of the Arizona Business Gazette, a newspaper of general circulation in the county of Maricopa, State of Arizona, published at Phoenix, Arizona, by Phoenix Newspapers Inc., which also publishes The Arizona Republic, and that the copy hereto attached is a true copy of the advertisement published in the said paper on the dates as indicated.

The Arizona Republic

March 24, 2014

Sworn to before me this 24st day of March A.D. 2014



MANUEL VARGAS

Notary Public - State of Arizona MARICOPA COUNTY My Commission Expires November 30, 2015

Notary Public

### **ATTACHMENT 2**

#### AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF ARIZONA	)
	) ss:
County of Maricopa	)

- I, Daniel Hodges, being first duly sworn, depose and state as follows:
- 1. I am a resident of Maricopa County. I am over 18 years of age and I make this affidavit based on my own personal knowledge.
  - 2. I work for Johnson Utilities, L.L.C.
- 3. I certify that commencing on or about March 21, 2014, I caused a copy of the notice attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> to be mailed via first class U.S. mail to all water and sewer customers of Johnson Utilities, L.L.C.
- 4. I further certify that the customer mailing described in the preceding paragraph was completed on or before March 26, 2014.

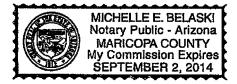
Daniel Hodges

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this 27 day of March, 2014.

Muchelle Ebelaski Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

September 2, 2014



## EXHIBIT A

Johnson Utilities 968 E. Hunt Hwy San Tan Valley, AZ 85143

(480) 987-9870

5230 E Shea Blvd Ste 200 Scottsdale AZ 85254-5750

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